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**RESPONSE TO OCTOBER 27, 2005 FINAL OFFICE ACTION**

Dear Sir:

This Amendment is submitted in response to the Final Office Action mailed October 27, 2005. Applicants respectfully request amendment of the patent application, and reconsideration and allowance of the pending claims.

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